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Dear Sir/Madam,

This is to Deny your refund request in the amount of \$18.00, for patent/serial number 09277356.

The total number of claims increased from 34 claims to 35 claims per an amendment. Thus the \$18.00 fee was charged.

Sincerely,

Lashaun O'Bryant Technical Center 2800 Refund Section, Office of Finance